

REMARKS

Claims 15-25 are all the claims pending in the present application. The Examiner maintains the same rejections as set forth in the previous Office Action. Specifically, claims 15-25 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 15-22 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Colosso (U.S. Patent No. 6,169,976).

§112, first paragraph, Rejections - Claims 15-25

Applicant submits that claims 15, 18, 21, and 22 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

§102(e) Rejections (Colosso) - Claims 15-22

Claims 15-22 are rejected over Colosso based on reasons set forth on pages 5-9 of the present Office Action.

With respect to claim 15, Applicant submits that Colosso does not disclose or suggest at least "transmitting the generated encryption key and a computer-dedicated player, which plays deciphered downloaded content, to the customer," as recited in claim 15. Colosso only discloses that physical media such as a CD-ROM, computer tapes, or computer discs contain an installation program. *See col. 8, lines 55-65*. However, nowhere does Colosso disclose or suggest that the generated encryption key and computer-dedicated player, which plays the deciphered downloaded content, is transmitted to the customer. The above-mentioned installation program simply installs licensed contents, but does not relate to a computer-dedicated player for playing deciphered content. At least based on the foregoing, Applicant submits that Colosso does not anticipate independent claims 15, 18, 21, and 22.

Applicant submits that dependent claims 16, 17, 19, and 20 are patentable at least by virtue of their respective dependencies.

Request for Interview

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner grant Applicant's representatives an interview to discuss the patentability of the claims over the applied art. Applicant's representatives will contact the Examiner in an effort to schedule an interview.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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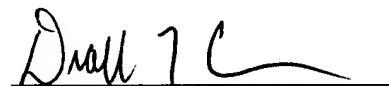
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